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In re Application of

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Serial No. 10/577,545

Examiner: Leung, Ka Chun A.

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For: CENTRALISED LUBRICATION OF LARGE DIESEL ENGINES

RESPONSE

To the Director of the Patent and Trademark Office

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2007, the applicant provisionally elects claims 1-5 of Group I and traverses the requirement for restriction.

The invention is unitary.

Applicant's counsel asks the examiner to reconsider his statement in paragraph 2. Both groups as claimed are lubricators in 123/196R for upper cylinders in 196M. 196M is indented under 196R. 196M has only 121 patents. In 196M, the first patent check, 7,104,240 was searched and cross referenced in both 174 subclasses 194M and 196R.

The invention as described in the claim is neither independent nor distinct. In fact, the invention as claimed arises from the same inventive effort. Where inventions are neither